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GO Transit commute. Riders will have to switch to the Presto card or buy daily tickets

GO Transit riders have suspected for months it was coming, but the signs go up Monday, confirming that monthly GO passes will be discontinued in the new year.

The last loyal pass users will have to convert to the province's Presto electronic fare card or be faced with buying a single ticket every day because the last paper passes issued will be for December.

GO discontinued its popular 10-ride and two-ride passes in August.

But transit officials were waiting until a majority of riders converted to the Presto cards before they stopped selling the monthly passes, which commuters have been using for more than 30 years.

There are about 350,000 Presto cards in circulation, although not all of them are used daily on GO buses and trains.

In September, GO sold about 23,000 of the monthly paper passes and those users still represent about 18 per cent of the system's regular riders. But the number has dropped about 45 per cent this year.

Unlike the monthly passes, which only need to be shown as proof of payment at the request of fare inspectors, Presto cards require riders to load money onto their card and then tap it on an electronic reader before boarding the train or bus. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

The more you travel...

- GO officials maintain that most riders save money using Presto because the trips accumulate until a discount kicks in.

DOWN TO EARTH

The world was watching on Sunday as daredevil Felix Baumgartner of Austria jumped out of his capsule for his skydive over Roswell, N.M. Baumgartner broke a 52-year-old record by travelling faster than the speed of sound from 38.6 kilometres above Earth. Go to metronews.ca for photo gallery and reaction. Story, page 10. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS/RED BULL/STEFAN AUFSCHNAITER

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Toronto auction

U.S. bidder snags astronomical watch for $215K

A rare Patek Philippe watch on auction in Toronto Sunday was expected to fetch $300,000. It sold for a paltry $215,000, not including the commission.

"I was hoping somebody local would buy it," said Kashif Khan, director of Ritchies auction house. "But it went to the U.S. They took our best piece."

The man representing the U.S. buyer declined to comment, stating it was a private purchase.

Though the feature watch — an astronomical piece made in Geneva to chart the moon's phases, indicate when the star Sirius passes the meridian and to actually tell time — didn't bring in what was expected, most of the watches on the block sold for more than what was listed.

A couple went for a few hundred dollars, but most sold for between $3,000 and $40,000. Two other Patek Philippes sold for $100,000 and $95,000.

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Second collision

Driver dies after car hits pole

One person is dead after a car slammed into a hydro pole Sunday, moments after being involved in another collision.

The first accident occurred on Oakwood Avenue near Vaughan Road around 4 a.m. The driver failed to remain at the scene after a collision with a Beck taxi, police said. The second accident happened soon after at Old Weston and Rogers roads. The victim died at the scene. Only one vehicle was involved in the crash. Traffic Services was called to investigate.

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Flash finish: Marathoners triumph over soggy weather

Brantford, Ont.'s Krista Duchene was the top Canadian woman in the Scotiabank Toronto Waterfront Marathon on Sunday, finishing fourth overall. Stephane Hethington as the Flash was the top superhero, and Betona Warga of Ethiopia won the men's race. More than 24,000 runners braved the rain for the marathon, which raises money for about 170 charities. STEVE RUSSELL/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Casino proposal would transform Railway Lands

Building over the tracks. 5.5-acre park scheme includes gardens, rest areas and pathways

A $3-billion casino development that would see a sky-high facelift in the city's downtown core also has greener plans at ground level to transform the unused space over the Railway Lands into a 5.5.-acre park.

Oxford Properties Group president and CEO Blake Hutcheson said the proposed park space would extend over the industrial rows of tracks south of Front Street toward the waterfront, linking the CN Tower, Rogers Centre and Metro Toronto Convention Centre and offering a new vantage on the city.

"For anybody who has walked that area, you know it's not user-friendly to get from the dome to the CN Tower," Hutcheson said. "This park is really made to serve as a platform that links all those public amenities together."

The park would extend over the rails, accessible by stairs from street level and connect to retail and other proposed sites including a hotel and casino complex.

While specifics have yet to be determined, the park would include landscaped gardens, pathways and rest areas, Hutcheson said.

"In terms of a construction feat, so much of the redevelopment anywhere in the world today is built over yards," Hutcheson said, citing another Oxford project in Manhattan, Hudson Yards, which is built over rails. "That's sort of the last option."

But Chris Pommer, partner for PLANT Architect which designed City Hall's podium garden roof, said what's important is reclaiming public space while preserving some of the industrial history.

"These were places nobody was really allowed to go," Pommer said of the rail lands. "It's a challenge of course to find these spaces, but it's also a great opportunity to make something that is challenging to our idea of what a park should be." TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Quoted

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Heritage Minutes make a comeback

Canadian history. Latest instalment tells tale of ex-slave turned war combatant

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A scene from Canadian war hero Richard Pierpoint's Heritage Minute. CONTRIBUTED

"Heritage Minutes" are back after a seven-year hiatus with the story of the long, eventful life of former slave and Canadian war hero Richard Pierpoint.

The Historica-Dominion Institute has restarted the tradition of 60-second spots on Canadian history with funding from the federal government for the commemoration of the War of 1812. The HDI is showing the new minutes, and a selection of classics, at The Royal theatre in Toronto on Monday.

"The short answer of why we haven't made them before now is they cost a lot of money," Historica-Dominion Institute president Anthony Wilson-Smith said. "We also now feel we have a minute worth doing. In general, we look for ground-level stories of individuals doing remarkable things that tell you a story on a bigger level."

Pierpoint was born in Bondu (now Senegal), captured and sold to a British officer in the U.S. as a slave at the age of 16 in 1760. He fought for the British in the American Revolutionary War and then came to Upper Canada as a free man.

In the time of the American invasion in 1812, men and women were lucky to live into their early 40s, but Pierpoint was 68 years old and wanted to fight. He asked permission to form a regiment of "coloured" men, which was initially met with lukewarm enthusiasm, says Wilson-Smith.

"They don't even give him permission as much as they say, kind of, 'Whatever,' and he goes out and finds other black former slaves and the sons of slaves, and they formed an all-black regiment that fights for the British on the Canadian side," said Wilson-Smith.

After the war, Pierpoint wanted to leave the land he fought for. As a soldier he was eligible to receive a tract of treed land, but he petitioned the government for passage back to Bondu instead.

His request was denied and he lived out his life on his land near Fergus, Ont.

Potential minute on gay marriage gets lukewarm response

Canadians are enthusiastic about Heritage Minutes — but many aren't eager to see one about gay marriage.

- The Historica-Dominion Institute commissioned an Ipsos Reid poll of 3,900 Canadians about their views on the Heritage Minutes of the past and potential new spots. Eighty-nine per cent said they would like to see more minutes produced.
- While 82 per cent said they would be interested in seeing a minute on the Charter of Rights and Freedoms and 80 per cent said they'd like to see one on Terry Fox, only 46 per cent said they'd like one on gay marriage.
- The classic Heritage Minutes about Jackie Robinson, the Halifax explosion and Jennie Trout were the most liked of the past two decades, the poll found.
- Asked who they would like to see star in a new Heritage Minute, Wayne Gretzky (44%) and William Shatner (40%) got the most positive ratings — beating out Canadian heartthrobs Justin Bieber (9%) and Taylor Kitsch (7%).

Big Brother on hunt for real Canadian flavour

Big Brother hopeful Patrick Brant, 25, who danced in the aisle between seats while waiting for his turn before the judges on Sunday. ALEKSANDRA SAGAN/FOR METRO

Almost 2,000 people crammed into a downtown Toronto hotel Sunday morning hoping to land one of 14 spots in the Big Brother household for Canada's upcoming first season of the hit reality show.

The winner — who will be filmed 24-7 along with their housemates and must survive weekly eliminations — will walk away with a cool $100,000.

The show has been successfully adapted across the globe since its 1999 premiere, but producers want this version to be quintessentially Canadian — starting with the contestants. Canadian self-image is no longer about hockey players and Mounties, says John Brunton, the Canadian version's executive producer.

"This notion of a country-music singer from Alberta, or a rodeo king, or a fisherman from Newfoundland, they're all stereotypical notions of who Canadians are," Brunton said. "And that's not what our show is going to be."

Instead, casting agents have scoured the country for Canucks who represent the diversity and tolerance of the nation, he says.

They have come in hordes: First Nations members from the far North, gay married couples, Canadians of all ethnic backgrounds and even some people with sexual identities Brunton did not know had a label until the auditions.

In Toronto, on the final stop of a five-city open-casting-call tour, anxious contenders filled the holding room as they practised answering questions and surveyed their competition.

Patrick Brant, a longtime fan of the show's U.K. adaptation, said he hoped to prove to the producers that his experience living across Canada — on the West Coast, up North and in Ontario — makes him truly Canadian.

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Whittling them down

- The contestants saw the judges in random groups of five to six people. The producers asked the group questions: How might you play the game? Who in this room is the biggest threat?
- Casting agents asked anyone who stood out to come back for a half-hour, videotaped interview later this week. Some of these contenders will then get further interviews.

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Poor choice of words

Bad joke prompts evacuation of main Anchorage airport terminal

The manager at Alaska's main airport says he expects charges to be filed after a bad joke led to the evacuation of a terminal.

Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport manager John Parrott says the incident happened a little after 12 a.m. local time Sunday, and the terminal was cleared as authorities searched through baggage. Investigators questioned a man who made reference to a bomb, as well as his two travelling companions.

They figured out that he was joking, and needless to say, they didn't find it funny.

Parrott says he expects state charges and possibly federal charges to be filed against the man, but referred further questions to prosecutors. The terminal was reopened at about 3 a.m. local time. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Andes crash survivors play memorial game

40th anniversary. Former members of Uruguayan rugby team reflect on what they learned from a horrifying experience

Surviving members of an Uruguayan rugby team have played a match postponed four decades ago when their plane crashed in the Andes, stranding them for 72 days in the cordillera and forcing them to eat human flesh to stay alive.

The Old Christians Club squared off Saturday in Santiago in a game that was tied 1-1 against the Old Grangonian Club, the former Chilean rugby team they were supposed to play back when their flight went down. Their terrifying story became the basis of a best-selling book and a Hollywood movie.

"At about this time we were falling in the Andes. Today, we're here to win a game," crash survivor Pedro Algorta, 61, said as he prepared to walk onto the playing field surrounded by the jagged mountains that trapped the group.

During the anniversary ceremony, military jets flew over the field, where parachutists draped in Chilean and Uruguayan flags landed. In a corner, survivors wept when officials unveiled a commemorative frame with pictures of those who died in the snowy peaks.

"The conditions were more horrifying than you can ever imagine. To live at 4,000 metres without any food," said survivor Eduardo Strauch, 65. "The only reason why we're here alive today is because we had the goal of returning home.... (Our loved ones) gave us life. They made the sacrifice for others."

The Uruguayan air force plane that carried the team crashed in a mountain pass in October 1972 while en route to Santiago from Montevideo. Of the 45 passengers aboard, 16 survived by feeding on dead family members and friends preserved in the snow.

Carlos Paez, 58, a former member of Uruguay's rugby team who survived a 1972 plane crash with his team, waves a small red shoe after a helicopter carrying fellow team member Fernando Parrado lands in a rugby field in Santiago, Chile, Saturday. Parrado gave a similar shoe to his friends at the plane crash site in 1972 before he trekked through the Andes with a single companion for 10 days and guided rescuers back. LUIS ANDRES HENAO/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

"I think the greatest sadness I felt in my life was when I had to eat a dead body," said Roberto Canessa, 59, who was a teenage medical student at the time of the crash.

"I would ask myself: Is it worth doing this? And it was, because it was in order to live and preserve life, which is exactly what I would have liked for myself if it had been my body that lay on the floor," he said. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Pussy Riot members face penal colony life

Life inside. Women live with 30 to 40 others in a room, exercise outdoors in temperatures as low as -30 C

In this photo from 2011, women wait to be escorted for work at a women's prison outside Orel, Russia. Two members of the punk band Pussy Riot will serve their sentence in a penal colony far from Moscow. YURI TUTOV/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

It's a far cry from Stalin's gulag, but the guiding principle of the Russian penal colony — the destination of two members of punk band Pussy Riot — remains the same: Isolate inmates and wear them down through "corrective labour."

Maria Alekhina and Nadezhda Tolokonnikova will have to quickly learn the inner laws of prison life, survive the dire food and medical care, and risk bullying from inmates either offended by their "punk prayer" against President Vladimir Putin or under orders to pressure them.

In colonies for women, inmates live in barracks with 30 to 40 to a room. They begin the day by shuffling outside for compulsory exercises at daybreak, in temperatures as low as -30 C. After a breakfast of gruel, they spend seven to eight hours a day at work, usually hunched over sewing machines.

Since there is only one women's penal colony near Moscow, female prisoners from the capital are commonly sent to Mordovia, a swampy, mosquito-infested province on the Volga River. Defence lawyers said Alekhina and Tolokonnikova would be transported to a penal colony within two weeks. Despite the harsh conditions, many prisoners still prefer them to the pre-trial detention centres, where they are kept in cramped, sometimes spectacularly unhygienic cells and only allowed out for an hour a day. The Pussy Riot members were held in such a centre since their February arrest. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

How they got there

- Maria Alekhina, 24, Nadezhda Tolokonnikova, 22, and Yekaterina Samutsevich, 30, were convicted of hooliganism motivated by religious hatred for an impromptu performance in Moscow's main cathedral as Putin headed into an election that handed him a third term as Russia's president.
- The women insisted their protest was political. But many believers said they were deeply offended by the sight of the band members dancing on the altar in balaclavas.
- An appeals court released Samutsevich on Wednesday, but upheld the two-year prison terms of the others.
- Both Alekhina and Tolokonnikova are university graduates and mothers.

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La Francophonie. Harper wants next summit held in a democratic country

Prime Minister Stephen Harper says he's glad he attended the summit of French speaking nations but hopes the next one is held in a country that promotes democratic values.

Harper said Sunday that he had definite reservations about taking part in the weekend's international gathering of la Francophonie in the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

The African country has been widely criticized for abusing human rights and allowing widespread sexual violence against women.

President Joseph Kabila was returned to power last year amid allegations of electoral fraud, something Harper described as "completely unacceptable."

But Harper said his visit did allow him to meet people who are changing things in the country. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Meeting

Prime Minister Stephen Harper and Quebec Premier Pauline Marois met while in the African country Saturday.

- **Co-operation.** Harper said the meeting was "cordial" and focused on the economy.

Guns

Firearm-related crimes cost billions

Crimes involving guns cost Canadians more than $3 billion a year, suggests an internal Justice Department study that may stoke the gun-control debate. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Car rage

Man bashes own car in parking lot

A man who bashed his elderly hearse with a sledgehammer in a Canadian Tire parking lot in Halifax Sunday was giving it a "proper sendoff," say police. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Online bullying victim shocked by girl's death

Amanda Todd, 15, is shown in this undated handout photo from a Facebook memorial site set up after her suspected suicide. THE CANADIAN PRESS/FACEBOOK-HO

Mental health. Teen who also posted video about being bullied wishes he could have helped Amanda Todd

Their pleas for help were strikingly similar, but ended with tragically different results.

Amanda Todd, 15, of Port Coquitlam, B.C., and Jonah Mowry, now 15, of Lake Forest, Calif., may have never met, but both lived lives of torment at the hands of bullies. Both recounted their suffering through hand-written notes, flashed before video cameras and published online.

They wrote about their loneliness, lack of friends and thoughts of suicide, yet only one remains alive.

The BC Coroners Service has said preliminary indications suggest Todd took her own life last Wednesday.

"I was kind of speechless," said Mowry, when he learned of Todd's death. "I kept thinking I wish I could have known her, I wish I could have talked to her, I wish I could have done something."

In the wake of Todd's death, victims of bullying across North America like Mowry, and his parents and their friends, are reliving their own experiences and offering advice on how to survive the torment and end the harassment.

The reactions come while RCMP investigators conduct interviews and review the factors that led to the death of the B.C. teen.

Todd had posted her nine-minute video on YouTube, in which she described how she suffered anxiety, major depression and turned to drugs and alcohol and even tried to kill herself twice.

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Quote

"I think that putting your kid in therapy can be good for so many reasons."

Jonah Mowry, 15
A California teen on how parents can help their children dealing with bullying.

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Canadian troops approved for combat ops

Afghanistan. Opposition charge the exemption allowing troops to serve with allies goes against Parliamentary decision

Canadian soldiers with 1st RCR Battle Group, The Royal Canadian Regiment
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National Defence successfully pushed the Harper government last year to ease the prohibition on Canadian troops from setting foot in Kandahar and participating in combat operations by establishing an exemption for those serving with allies, internal documents reveal.

It is a decision that violates both the spirit and the letter of the Parliament motion that led to the country's exit from the Afghan war, the opposition charged.

Less than a half dozen Canadians, most of them with the air force, continue to serve in the volatile region that has been the epicentre of the Taliban insurgency.

The much-heralded end to Canada's five-year guerrilla war in southern Afghanistan produced the iron-clad policy that barred soldiers from taking part in combat operations and being anywhere near war-torn Kandahar province after Dec. 31, 2011.

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Haiti. Protesters march against high living costs

Hundreds of people have marched in Haiti's capital to protest higher living costs.

The demonstrators have criticized President Michel Martelly while marching past the cinderblock shanties of downtown Port-au-Prince.

They say Martelly has broken a promise to cover the cost of school tuition and has not done enough to alleviate the suffering of the Caribbean nation's poor.

It is the second, and smaller, of two anti-government protests in the capital in as many weeks. Similar demonstrations have also been organized in the countryside.

There was no immediate response Sunday from the Martelly administration, but the government last month created a commission to work with businesses and farmers' groups to stabilize food prices.

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Mauritania

President shot and transferred

Mauritania's government says President Mohamed Ould Abdel Aziz is being transferred to Paris for treatment after being wounded when the military fired on his vehicle. Aziz spoke on national TV from his hospital bed. He said the shooting was a mistake.

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Outbreak

Meningitis cases linked to shots

An outbreak of fungal meningitis has been linked to steroid shots for back pain. The medication, made by a specialty pharmacy in Massachusetts, has been recalled. The latest numbers from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention include 205 illnesses and 15 deaths. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Felix Baumgartner celebrates Sunday near Roswell, N.M., after becoming the first skydiver to break the sound barrier. The Austrian also broke the record for the highest skydive. RED BULL STRATOS, BALAZS GARDI/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Free falling

Faster than a speeding bullet.

Austrian becomes the first skydiver to fall faster than the speed of sound

Austrian extreme athlete Felix Baumgartner landed gracefully on Earth Sunday after a 38.6-kilometre jump from the stratosphere in a dramatic, record-breaking feat that officials said made him the first skydiver to fall faster than the speed of sound.

Baumgartner came down in the eastern New Mexico desert about nine minutes after jumping from his capsule 39,045 metres above Earth. He lifted his arms in victory shortly after landing, setting off loud cheers from jubilant onlookers and friends inside the mission's control centre in Roswell, N.M.

"When I was standing there on top of the world, you become so humble; you do not think about breaking records anymore, you do not think about gaining scientific data. The only thing you want is to come back alive," he said after the jump.

Brian Utley, a jump observer from the International Federation of Sports Aviation, said preliminary figures show Baumgartner reached a maximum speed of 1,342 km/h. That amounts to Mach 1.24, which is faster than the speed of sound. No one has ever reached that speed wearing only a high-tech suit.

Baumgartner says that travelling faster than sound is "hard to describe because you don't feel it." With no reference points, "you don't know how fast you travel," he told reporters. "Sometimes we have to get really high to see how small we are."

The altitude he leapt from also marked the highest-ever for a skydiver — more than three times the height of the average cruising altitude for a jetliner. Organizers said the descent lasted just over nine minutes, about half of it in free fall. Utley said he travelled 36,529 metres in free fall.

Three hours earlier, Baumgartner, known as "Fearless Felix," had taken off in a pressurized capsule carried by a 55-storey ultra-thin helium balloon. After an at-times tense ascent, which included concerns about how well his facial shield was working, the 43-year-old former military parachutist completed a final safety check-list with mission control.

As he exited his capsule from high above Earth, he flashed a thumbs-up sign, well aware that the feat was being shown on a live-stream on the Internet with a 20-second delay.

He activated his parachute as he neared Earth, gently gliding into the desert east of Roswell and landing without any apparent difficulty.

He then was taken by helicopter to meet fellow members of his team, whom he hugged in celebration.

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"Sometimes we have to get really high to see how small we are."

Felix Baumgartner

The eagle has landed

- **Record numbers.** As Baumgartner ascended in the balloon, so did the number of viewers watching on YouTube. Nearly 7.3 million watched as he sat on the edge of the capsule moments before jumping.
- **Social media surge.** After he landed, Red Bull posted a picture of Baumgartner on his knees on the ground to Facebook, generating nearly 216,000 likes, 10,000 comments and more than 29,000 shares in less than 40 minutes.
- **Hot trend.** On Twitter, half the worldwide trending topics had something to do with the jump, pushing past seven NFL football games.
- **Flying high.** Among the tweets was one from NASA: "Congratulations to Felix Baumgartner and RedBull Stratos on record-breaking leap from the edge of space!"

Women protest to condemn the attack on 14-year-old schoolgirl Malala Yousufzai, who was shot last Tuesday by the Taliban, in Islamabad, Pakistan, Sunday. ANJUM NAVEED/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

1,000s rally for girl shot by Taliban

Pakistan. Schoolgirl shot in the neck for promoting women's education still recovering in hospital

Tens of thousands rallied in Pakistan's largest city Sunday in the biggest show of support yet for a 14-year-old girl who was shot and seriously wounded by the Taliban for promoting girls' education and criticizing the militant group.

The Oct. 9 attack on Malala Yousufzai as she was returning home from school in Pakistan's northwest horrified people inside and outside the country.

At the same time, it gave hope to some that the government would respond by intensifying its fight against the Taliban and their allies.

But protests against the shooting have been relatively small until now, usually attracting no more than a few hundred people.

That response pales in comparison to the tens of thousands of people who held violent protests in Pakistan last month against a film produced in the United States that denigrated Islam's Prophet Muhammad.

Demonstrations in support of Malala — and against rampant militant violence in the country in general — have also been fairly small compared with those focused on issues such as U.S. drone attacks and the NATO supply route to Afghanistan that runs through Pakistan.

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U.S. election. Obama, Romney prepare for second debate

The next eight days could prove critical for both Barack Obama and Mitt Romney — the two bitter rivals for the White House square off for their second and third prime-time debates, both well aware that their first face-off dramatically altered a roller-coaster presidential race.

The two men took a break from campaigning on Sunday to undergo intensive debate preparation ahead of their next high-stakes clash, this time a town hall-style event on both foreign and domestic policy being held in Hempstead, N.Y., on Tuesday.

Obama was in Williamsburg, Va., at a posh resort on the James River. Various members of his debate prep team, including Romney stand-in Sen. John Kerry — toting a massive binder filled with colour-coded dividers — were seen milling about the resort on Sunday, hoping to ensure a far more spirited, engaged Obama shows up this week.

Romney was at his home in Boston, hoping to build upon his recent momentum by besting Obama yet again with another razor-sharp debate performance.

The battle for the White House is now a horse race in the aftermath of the two mens' first debate in Denver two weeks ago. The Real Clear Politics daily polling average has Romney slightly ahead of Obama nationally, with the Republican also surpassing or nipping at the heels of the president in several crucial battleground states that will determine the outcome of the Nov. 6 vote.

Obama plans to be more aggressive when he squares off against Romney this week, the president's top adviser said Sunday. "He is going to make some adjustments on Tuesday," David Axelrod said on "Fox News Sunday."

Axelrod accused Romney of having "serially walked away from his own proposals" during the first showdown, an event watched by almost 70 million Americans. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Beef plant reverses layoffs to break inspection impasse

E. coli contamination. After weekend of finger pointing, outlook for operations to resume at Alberta firm is improved

Cattle look out from a feedlot in Brooks, Alta., Wednesday. Lee Nilsson, a co-CEO of XL foods, which runs a Brooks-based meat processing plant at the centre of an extensive recall, acknowledged the plant's stoppage has "caused a great amount of turmoil in the beef community." JEFF MCINTOSH/THE CANADIAN PRESS

The meat processing company at the centre of an E. coli outbreak is recalling 800 workers it laid off only a day earlier, resolving a deadlock that kept federal inspectors from completing their review of the operation.

The Canadian Food Inspection Agency's (CFIA) evaluation of XL Foods ground to a halt this weekend when the firm announced it was temporarily laying off 2,000 workers. Federal inspectors said they had nothing to inspect without the workers handling the beef.

The Brooks, Alta.-based company blamed the layoff decision on the fact the federal government hadn't given it a firm date for when it would get its licence back in order to fully resume operations.

But late Sunday afternoon, XL Foods put out a news release saying it was recalling 800 workers to help the CFIA finish its job.

The inspectors are currently halfway through a review of how XL employees process 5,100 beef carcasses. If they're satisfied with what they see, XL could get its licence back.

"We look forward to actively working with CFIA to bring this to a viable and timely resolution to allow the plant to recommence operations," Brian Nilsson, co-CEO of XL Foods, said in a release.

That was a different tone than one the company struck just a day earlier, when they urged the CFIA to come to a "swift and viable resolution," apparently without the help of the workers.

Lee Nilsson, fellow co-CEO, had also made a pointed reference to the federal agency in an interview Friday with the Alberta Farmer Express.

"I know it's caused a great amount of turmoil in the beef community. I'd just like to say hang on because all things will pass, but at this point there seems to be an uncertainty as to which direction CFIA is going with regard to E. coli at my plant, or any other plant in the country," Nilsson said.

The decision to lay off the workers and effectively shutter the plant caused an immediate backlash. The CFIA said it was completely up to XL Foods as to when the plant would be reopened, and Agriculture Minister Gerry Ritz had given no hint of softening on the inspection regime.

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ENOUGH WITH THE TRANSIT FUNDING FAIRY TALES

URBAN COMPASS
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Let's keep this simple. To build the transit network we need in the Greater Toronto Area, governments are going to have to increase revenues via the taxpayer. That means things like road tolls, parking fees and sales taxes.

Most people these days accept that reality. Recently we've seen campaigns from leaders like John Tory and the Greater Toronto CivicAction Alliance, former mayoral candidate Sarah Thomson and a gaggle of local planners and councillors, all seemingly united on the issue of necessary transit funding.

But some politicians refuse to get it. They keep trying to sell us on alternative ideas: transit funding fairy tales.

Look at Mayor Rob Ford, whose executive committee last week considered a staff report from Toronto's CFO that laid out a variety of potential revenue drivers that could pay for transit expansion. Ford, after voting to move forward with consultation, told reporters he doesn't support any of them and would not vote for new taxes to pay for transit.

Instead, he wants us to look at public-private partnerships, or "P3s." Both the mayor and his brother, Coun. Doug Ford, are fond of pointing to the private sector as the solution to our transit funding woes. They believe that there are private companies out there willing to put up funds to pay for subways in Toronto.

They've got zero evidence to back them up.

That CFO report on transit funding? It spells things out explicitly: "P3s are a 'project delivery mechanism' intended to reduce cost and improve delivery timelines, not a source of funding." In other words, these arrangements can reduce the overall cost of a project — that's why the province plans to use them for any transit it helps build in the GTA — but they don't make funds materialize from nowhere. They're not magic.

You'd expect self-described fiscal realists like the Ford Brothers to understand this. But they're not alone.

Also last week, the man who very well could be the next premier of Ontario, Tim Hudak, laid out a transportation strategy. In it, he followed the Fords in downplaying the idea of things like road tolls, instead suggesting only that a PC government would "when money's available, build subways."

You read that right: "when money's available."

Given that the entirety of the "Big Move" transportation strategy needed to keep commutes in the GTA under control is set to cost at least $50 billion, it's not entirely clear how Hudak and the Fords expect that kind of money to become "available."

Maybe they're hoping the GTA has an elderly great aunt set to leave the region a generous inheritance. Or that we'll find an oil patch under the construction at Union Station.

Or maybe they're just telling us fairy tales.

Read more of Matt's blog, Ford for Toronto, at metronews.ca

Talk is cheap, subways aren't. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE FILE

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Explorer Rob Brown (pictured), from the National Oceanography Centre in Southampton, England.
Brown is one of the team members who will be enjoying the beer in Antarctica.

Beer status

Beer's journey for Christmas arrival

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The process allows the liquid to expand when frozen and prevents the gas from escaping.

After it arrives, it will be kept safe until Christmas Day when the explorers will merrily drink it.

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pints (11.3 litres) of beer will be sent to the polar explorers to enjoy on Christmas Day. The team from the British Antarctic Survey and the National Oceanography Centre will be conducting research at the subglacial Lake Ellsworth for three months.

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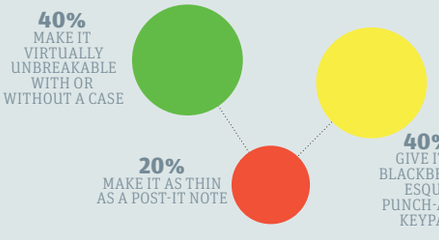
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Canada's game show heritage is as rich as a vat of maple syrup, dripping with decades worth of eager-beaver contestants and smooth talking hosts who left an indelible mark on the quizzical landscape. With Comedy Network tapping Oshawa stand-up comic Darrin Rose to emcee a reboot of Match Game, we salute this country's outsized contribution to the high-stakes genre.

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Classic show revisited

Fill in the blanks with DiGiovanni

Debra DiGiovanni is among the regular panelists who will be appearing on the new version of Match Game, which starts airing today on The Comedy Network. We decided to ask her a few questions from the 1973 season of the classic game show that asked celebrities and contestants to fill in the missing word.

1. One spy said to the other, "Beware of Lola, one of her __CAMERAS__ is really a camera."
Debra says: This is an example of some of the answers we received from nervous contestants. Cute.

2. The sexiest thing a woman can wear is ___A SMILE (WHILE NAKED)_____
Debra says: I'm totally guessing at this one. I clearly have no idea.

3. John and George traded __WIVES____ for a week
Debra says: I'd choose that answer because I know that for most men, that's their biggest fantasy, especially if their wives were sisters. I know, men are weird!

4. Mary liked to pour gravy on John's _LAP____
Debra says: Responding with a smutty answer is a surefire match. I would've said "BOOBS" but then that changes the back story on John and Mary's relationship.

Hometown Showdown: Where do these hosts hail from?

Monty Hall Let's Make A Deal

ALL HOSTS GETTY IMAGES

Clue: A Winnie the Pooh costume could sweeten an audience member's chances of getting picked to trade for a prize.

Howie Mandel Deal or No Deal

Clue: With the big five all based here, there are plenty of bankers available to sway a contestant to part with their briefcase.

Alex Trebek Jeopardy

Clue: This 'Nickel City' east of Sault Ste. Marie and west of North Bay is the stomping ground for a hockey team that howls.

Flip over for answers

- 1. Winnipeg
- 2. Toronto
- 3. Sudbury

Name that Homegrown Show

J_ _t Like M_ _
The signature segment on this family affair from the 1980s was the 60-second bake-off where young contestants would blitz through a recipe. Their grown-up partners would then taste test the rushed dishes and determine which one their kid made.

T_ _t P_ _ tern
Mini-games like human piñata, bowl and win, dance break, and hide the salami lent this wacky hit a fraternity party feel. The game-ending lightning round had contestants put on helmets with light bulbs on top and whack a button on their forehead to buzz in.

_ _ m _ _r Stu_ _ers
This Global TV puzzler hosted by Al Dubois turned the highway boredom busting pastime of attempting to decode the meaning of

Remember this one? Or are you stumped? Get it? SCREENSHOT

vanity licence plates into word nerd heaven. If the show was still airing today, a clue would be "MRONV" belongs to The Voice judge Adam Levine. Answer: Maroon 5.

_ _ u B_t _ou_ A _ _
This trivia show was never short on potty humour. Take this actual question from the category 'Smelly Things:' "What colourful mixture of dried flowers, herbs and spices is often found in a woman's bathroom to unsuccessfully mask the odour of her number twos?"

Flip over for answers

- 1. Just Like Mom
- 2. Test Pattern
- 3. Bumper Stumpers
- 4. You Bet Your Ass

George Hamilton gets more glam

New musical. Perpetually-tanned star takes lead in La Cage Aux Folles, which opened last week in Toronto

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La Cage Aux Folles, the mid-'80s musical about love, tolerance, and cross-dressing opened last week at the Royal Alexandra Theatre for a six week run.

It stars the forever-glamorous George Hamilton as Georges, owner of the St Tropez drag show cabaret and Broadway veteran Christopher Sieber as his lover/live-in/temperamental star Albin.

The show is a Tony award winning production, which is a stripped-down, intimate version of the musical audiences have loved for almost 30 years. The two lead actors are at the end of a 50-week tour, but still feel a great enthusiasm for the musical, written by Broadway greats Jerry Herman and Harvey Fierstein.

"It's certainly not a show just for a gay audience, " Sieber says.

"All the straight guys in the audience dragged there by their wives are leaping to their feet by the end of the show, singing along with us."

Still, the show was always ahead of its time, with its casual acceptance of gay cohabitation. And now, with gay marriage a hot button topic, it may be even more relevant.

But ultimately the play is about relationships and long term love, no matter what your sexual orientation might be.

Why has the relationship between Georges and Albin thrived over a 20-year period, despite their temperamental differences?

Hamilton, ever the practical romantic, offered this insight: "I think they definitely need each other. My character is a businessman who needs his star, who happens to be his lover.

"In other words, relationships are complicated. Those complications drive the farcical elements of the play, resulting in a musical that is often hysterically funny, but sometimes touching and bittersweet.

"I do think that they have gone through so much together that they could never leave each other," suggests Hamilton.

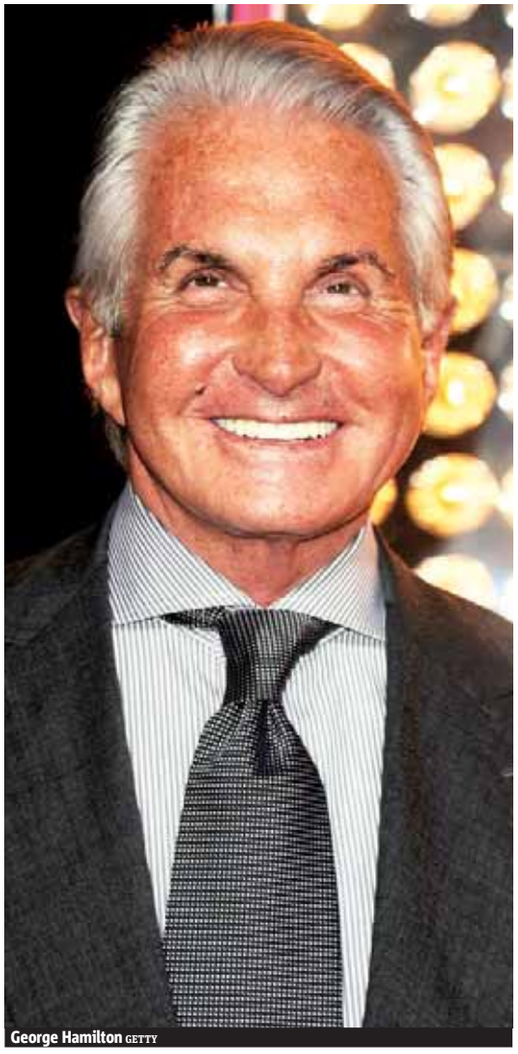
Watching Hamilton and Sieber together, you can see the intimacy that a year of touring together has created. Although they seem very different — Hamilton, resplendent in a couture suit with perfect hair, teeth, and tan; Sieber, the epitome of preppy casual — they are able to complete each other's sentences and know every nuance of each other's characters.

Just like, I suppose-Georges and Albin themselves.

Quoted

"My character is a businessman who needs his star, who happens to be his lover"

George Hamilton on playing the character Georges in La Cage Aux Folles



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OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES

The Word

Penn and Madonna re-uniting?

THE WORD
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Forget the rumours of Beverly Hills 90210 actors Luke Perry and Jennie Garth falling back in love after reuniting for an Old Navy commercial — here's a pop culture reunion that's much, much juicier.

On Thursday, Sean Penn sat front and centre at his ex-wife Madonna's Staples Center concert and even visited her backstage.

An extremely excited (and pervertedly descriptive) source tells RadarOnline that during the concert, Madonna "stared Sean dead in the face, smiled, unzipped her pants, and mooned the crowd, but it was really like she was mooning Sean!"

The source added that, "He laughed and clutched his chest like he was going to pass out. She was wearing a black lacy thong, and her butt looked perfect! So smooth and tight. ... like a 20-year-old's!"

After the show, Penn was spotted backstage "gushing" over his ex.

"Sean was like a teenage boy meeting his idol," another eyewitness told the site. "It was amusing, and kind of cute."

Penn and Madonna were married from 1985 to 1989. It was, by all accounts, a tumultuous relationship fraught with court cases, fights and the amazing disaster that was Shanghai Surprise.

But, hey — perhaps the past 30 years have mellowed out the stars. Oh man — like an adult who continues to hold out hope that their divorced parents will get back together despite living in different states for 20 years — I want this so much.

Lindsay Lohan. ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

Lohan loans money to Mom to save her house

Lindsay Lohan's recent scuffle with mom Dina Lohan apparently had something to do with money — and a reported $40,000 loan.

But according to new reports by the New York Post, that barely scratches the surface of Dina's debt situation.

Dina is reportedly in debt for $1.3 million, including $914,000 she owes to JPMorgan Chase for the mortgage on her Long Island home, according to the newspaper.

And that loan from Lindsay?

That was apparently a last-ditch effort to keep her house out of foreclosure.

Twitter

@hughhefner
I'm working on my scrapbook this afternoon, Volumes 2610-1, covering May 27-June 1, 2012, including the return of Crystal. Happy days!

@RealHughJackman
On set for my birthday. Thanks for all the best wishes!

@stephenfry
Wonderful lunch with a friend & his family in Kent. Then a stout walk in leafy lanes & woods. How beautiful the countryside there is.

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Ditching the very distracted dinner table

Family time. Sitting down to eat together is an important part of inspiring and engaging

IT'S ALL RELATIVE
Kathy Buckworth,
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Adults are also encouraged to share parts of their day at the dinner table. SUBMITTED

My 13-year-old daughter came home from school and said her teacher had asked the class how many families had dinner together on a regular basis.

To her (and my) surprise, she was the only one who raised her hand. Fellow students reported that they were more likely to eat in front of the television alone, in their rooms or grab fast food on the way to an activity.

When kids are little, parents physically have to be in attendance to make sure their nutritional, hygienic and logistical needs are met during meals.

As they get older, the physical needs wane, and it can seem easier to just have everyone take care of themselves. Additionally, it can become more difficult for families to find an evening when there isn't a hockey game, a late meeting or a school fundraising activity to get to — which makes it all the more important to find the time to eat together on the nights where everyone can make it to the table.

Not only does it inspire and engage the children in conversation about their day, but it helps to avoid the number one complaint that parents have about bad table manners they see in their own and other kids: The inability of kids to sit still during a meal.

Technology has invaded our dinner space with television, tablets, and, of course, the constant use of smartphones, with email and texting. Eliminate the distractions and start talking. Mom and dad need to be the role models for this behaviour, so put away the phone before you sit down at the table, and make it a family rule.

Conversation lagging? Consider bringing some quiz questions to the table on current events that are age appropriate for your children.

Adults are also encouraged to share parts of their day, to allow the kids to better understand the challenges and successes they're having.

Where possible, try not to schedule after-school lessons and sports at a time that makes a family meal logistically challenging. Consider changing your "regular" meal time to one that most of the family can manage.

Make sure homework is out of the way as early as possible, so dinner time doesn't have to be fraught with the stress of work to come.

Get the kids involved in meal planning, and remember; it doesn't hurt to have them take responsibility for table setting and clearing. Make it a family activity. Bon appétit!

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Feeling overwhelmed, mom? Declare a strike

Dishes piled up when a Calgary mom went on strike . ISTOCK

Jessica Stilwell let plates pile up and left stinky laundry scattered on the floor to teach her messy kids a lesson.

After six days, she declared victory in her "mommy strike" and gained worldwide attention for her comical blog detailing the struggle.

"Could I ever have imagined this? Absolutely not. It's very overwhelming," Stilwell said over the phone Friday following an interview with TV host Katie Couric in New York.

The 37-year-old social worker appeared earlier in the week on The Today Show and got a high-five from host Matt Lauer for her parenting experiment.

She's off again next week to do The Jeff Probst Show in Los Angeles. Her story has appeared in newspapers from New York to London. Her blog has attracted comments from mothers as far away as France.

Stilwell said the strike worked for her family.

"I think we all learned that despite us being a really busy family, we can't let it slip. My girls have responsibilities."

Stilwell's blog — Crazy Working Mom: Diary of a mother on the brink of snapping! — details how she got fed up with her daughters and decided to go on strike Oct. 1.

She let her husband, Dylan, in on the plan but they didn't tell the girls — twins Olivia and Peyton, 12, and Quinn, 10.

The couple cleaned up each plate and fork they used but left the girls' dishes untouched.

Mould and fruit flies gathered. One pet dog licked clean the dishes that made it into the dishwasher when the door was left open. "Which begs me to question," wrote Stilwell, "if the children will think it's actually clean and proceed to use the dishes in the morning?"

Her youngest girl cracked on Day 4. "My little love broke down in the kitchen tonight as she was trying to rinse a glass to use and began to cry. Through her sobs she said, '...Can you please help me clean up?"'

Stilwell said she tried to negotiate, but it took two more days before all three girls realized they had created the mess and apologized. They then cleaned as a family.

"I know some of you are sad 'The Strike' is over. But feel happy for me please. I WON!!" wrote Stilwell. THE CANADIAN PRESS

HOW TO RETAIN TOP TALENT

IN SMALL BUSINESS

In an era where business models and products can be easily replicated, retaining top talent remains a sure-fire way to stay competitive. Suspect that someone is trying to poach your talent? Particularly for small businesses, it can be challenging to know what your most valued employees really want beyond a competitive salary.

SPOT THE WARNING SIGNS

First and foremost, keep an eye out for the red flags that signal an unsatisfied employee. Keep the lines of communication open about how they find their work, the office environment, and how they feel about their workload. It's easier to remedy a minor irritation than it is a major problem, so don't assume that no news is good news. Take an interest in an employee's satisfaction more than once a year.

FLEXIBLE SCHEDULE

More and more these days, a flexible schedule is the single most important factor in keeping employees happy. People with a long commute may like to shift their working hours earlier or later. People with kids have different needs for summer months. Being able to offer flexibility for employees continually ranks as a key factor in job satisfaction.

WORKING FROM HOME

Are you able to offer the option of working from home sometimes? This has become a viable option for a lot of industries, and the ability to work from home is a huge factor in talent retention. There are tricks to making the arrangement work well, and it is usually a worthwhile investment for small businesses.

Putting value in work done and goals achieved, rather than in actually time spent at a desk in the office, tells employees that you trust them. And work/life balance continually strikes a chord with in-demand people.

FIGURE OUT WHAT MOTIVATES THEM

The ultimate key to keeping employees happy is to figure out what motivates them, and that varies by person and by industry. For some, it is commission or bonuses, so consider a profit sharing arrangement rather than a traditional bonus. Others are different. People in service-based positions like nursing or customer service take a lot from praise outside of the company, so communicating external feedback is important.

Evaluate what motivates your employee most, and tailor your approach for that person.

IT'S ALL ABOUT THE PACKAGE

Top talent is looking for a total package: health and dental insurance, disability, and all that comes with it. That may be more difficult for a small business to organize, but it's usually worth looking at options. Benefits, however, play less of a role in retention than many of the smaller things like flexible working hours — good news for those with limited resources.

Another idea that small businesses are embracing is smaller incentives for things like travel costs, or a health and fitness allowance.

CAREER DEVELOPMENT OPTIONS

Maybe you can't offer tuition reimbursement as a larger organization can, but what about a different creative way of encouraging professional development? Can you offer company access to online learning sessions, or co-ordinate some kind of cross training where they learn and develop other skills? Think creatively about what would work for your industry.

WORK CULTURE

Small businesses can offer something that large corporations sometimes can't — a tightknit, collaborative team. Making work fun (as arbitrary as that may sound) makes a difference to people, and can help the day-to-day become much more enjoyable.

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HIRE RIGHT THE FIRST TIME: THREE MISTAKES TO AVOID

Hiring the wrong person can be huge expense for a small business. Get it right the first time and avoid these three incredibly common hiring blunders.

1 DON'T GET BACKED INTO A CORNER. This might be the situation we see most in small businesses. You need to find someone fast, but you can't find the candidate who is quite right. So you settle because of the pressure to find someone quickly. Big mistake. Even if a candidate is "OK" in a number of areas, 10 "just OKs" does not make one overall "excellent." Take the time to find the ideal candidate, and you won't have to do it again six months later.

2 FORGOING SKILL TESTING. It seems logical that if someone says they have expert level skills in something they would actually have them, right? Sometimes, sure. But actions speak louder than words. It can be beneficial to do some on-the-spot skill testing to verify a candidate's claims — be it editing, coding, cold calling, or using any kind of software program. There's nothing wrong with asking people to show you what they've got.

3 NOT MEETING THE TEAM. Team interviews are increasingly becoming part of the hiring process in small businesses where members work together closely. This can serve as a great opportunity to observe how a candidate would fit into their prospective new team by soliciting feedback from each team member.

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BANKING ON A DREAM BUSINESS

SCOTIABANK SEES WISDOM OF COUPLE'S PLANS

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One year ago, Amy and Chris Masich took a bold step and opened Luna + Hill, a unique clothing store in downtown Saskatoon. The store represents many things to the couple: The realization of a long-held dream; the culmination of years of careful planning; and a significant risk.

"Although we had talked about going into the clothing business for years, we didn't act on it until we both had established, stable careers," says Chris Masich, a lawyer. Amy Masich was a school teacher. In their mid-20s, the husband-and-wife team set out on a new path: Creating the shop they had long envisioned.

As two accomplished professionals, they took a comprehensive, studied approach to developing a business plan. They visited and interviewed retailers in Vancouver, San Francisco and other West Coast cities. They identified potential suppliers and clothing lines, studied demographic and economic projections for Saskatoon, and met with local bankers. Only one, Scotiabank, seemed sympathetic.

"Unlike the other banks we visited, the folks at Scotiabank saw the wisdom of our plans, and offered helpful advice on everything from insurance and point-of-sale terminals to marketing mentorships," says Chris Masich. "They recognized that what we wanted to create would not only be feasible, but also good for the community."

Scotiabank provided the start-up loan the couple needed to renovate a shop in downtown Saskatoon and acquire inventory, along with the line of credit needed to maintain cash flow throughout the retail cycle. The bank's support, along with the strength of the Luna + Hill brand, continue to drive the business' success.

Luna + Hill closely reflects the personalities of Amy and Chris Masich. There are clear commitments to the environment and the community, for instance; concepts such as fair trade, handmade, locally produced, organic and recycling are all taken seriously. The brand marries casual urban chic with Prairie practicality and modesty. Customers are served tea and encouraged to learn about where and how the clothes are made, and how to care for them properly.

"It's a thrill for us to share our passion with customers," says Chris Masich. "It feels like we're on this journey together."

5 KEYS TO SUCCESS

1. Write a business plan that includes everything from marketing and operations costs to revenue projections.
2. Understand and apply your unique skills and expertise to the business.
3. Clearly identify, define and target your market.
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A sweet ending in a small bite

Glazed Apple-Ricotta Tarts

This recipe makes 12 tarts. NEWS CANADA

Homemade pastry sets the stage for a creamy-sweet combo of ricotta cheese and apples.

1. Pastry: In measuring cup, whisk together sour cream and water. Keep cold in refrigerator.

2. In food processor, pulse together flour, cornmeal, sugar and salt to combine.

3. Pulse in butter until mix resembles large peas. Pulse in chilled sour cream mix until a rough dough forms. Cover in plastic wrap and flatten into disc. Chill at least one hour.

4. Filling: In saucepan over medium low heat, stir apples, sugar, Calvados and lemon zest; cook, covered, stirring occasionally, until apples are very tender, about 30 minutes. Remove from heat and let cool. Stir in ricotta.

5. Preheat oven to 375 F (190 C). Divide dough into 12 pieces and roll into 4-inch (10 cm) discs. Arrange in greased muffin tin. Repeat with remaining dough. Fill each with 2 heaping tablespoons (30 ml) of apple ricotta mix. Fan apple slices over top of each tart. Melt jelly in microwave for about 30 seconds or until pourable. Drizzle over each tart.

Ingredients

Pastry
- 1/4 cup (50 ml) sour cream
- 1/3 cup (75 ml) ice water
- 1 cup (250 ml) unbleached all-purpose flour
- 1/4 cup (5 ml) cornmeal
- 1 tbsp (15 ml) granulated sugar
- 1/4 tsp (1 ml) salt
- 1/3 cup (75 ml) cold butter, cubed

Filling
- 2 lbs (1 kg) apples (such as Spartan, Cortland or Empire), peeled, cored and diced
- 1/4 cup (5 ml) granulated sugar
- 1/4 cup (50 ml) Calvados (apple flavoured liqueur)
- 1 tbsp (15 ml) lemon zest
- 1/4 cup (50 ml) whole-milk ricotta cheese

Topping
- 2 apples, peeled, cored and thinly sliced
- 1/4 cup (5 ml) bottled apple jelly

6. Bake in centre of preheated oven until pastry is golden and filling is bubbling, about 45 minutes. Transfer to cooling rack and cool 10 minutes before removing tarts from tin.

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Healthy eating

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There's nothing like heading to the movie theatre and grabbing a bag of popcorn. But unless you're interested in consuming loads of calories, fat and sodium, watch what you purchase.

Large popcorn with 5 pumps of butter topping, large pop and peanut M&M's

2,280 calories/ 109 gm fat/ 1,380 mg sodium This snack contains an entire day's worth of fat, calories and sodium.

Equivalent

Mindless snacking on a large popcorn with five pumps of butter topping, large pop and peanut M&M's while watching a movie, may lead you to eat the equivalent, in calories, to two pounds of barbecued pork back ribs.

Small popcorn with 1 pump of Becel, small diet pop and Mars bar

840 calories/ 49 gm fat/ 600 mg sodium You can indulge at your fave flick but it's still not nutritional.

Apple Cranberry Brûlée. Combine two of the most loved autumn staples

This delicious fall treat is a cross between a baked pancake, a souffle and a creme brûlée.

It has an eggy topping, reminiscent of a pancake, but the egg white in the topping has been beaten to soft peaks, which makes it lighter and airier.

In the end, it is sprinkled with sieved brown sugar and popped back in the oven until it gets a dark brown crust that tastes like the burnt sugar on the famous custard.

The finished product embodies the best of three great recipes, though nothing outshines the apples.

1. Heat the oven to 450 F. In 9-inch round shallow baking dish, combine apples, cranberries, 2 tablespoons maple syrup and 2 tablespoons brandy.

2. Cover baking dish with foil and bake in middle of oven 35 minutes, or until paring knife goes through apples very easily. Remove from oven and increase the oven heat to 500 F.

3. While apples baking, in bowl, whisk egg yolk, remaining 3 tablespoons maple syrup, remaining tablespoon brandy, cornstarch, vanilla and salt. Set aside.

4. Once apples tender, in another medium bowl, beat egg whites until form soft peaks. Stir one half of whites into yolk mix, then gently but thoroughly fold in remaining whites. Spread mixture evenly over the top of apples.

5. Place brown sugar in a mesh sieve. Hold sieve above egg topping and press sugar through it to evenly sprinkle it over topping. Bake dessert in top third of the oven until nicely browned, about 2 minutes.

Ingredients

- 2 medium apples, peeled, cored, quartered and sliced
- 1/3 cup dried cranberries
- 5 tbsp maple syrup, divided
- 3 tbsp brandy, divided
- 1 large egg yolk
- 1 tbsp cornstarch
- 1/2 tsp vanilla extract
- Pinch table salt
- 2 large egg whites, room temperature
- 2 tbsp dark brown sugar

This recipe serves six. MATTHEW MEAD/ THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Fatigue gets failing grade in France

C'est la vie! Country looking to upend school year traditions in support of work-weary youngsters

Critics of the possible addition of a Wednesday school day in France have suggested lengthening lunch to three hours to tackle the long work days of students. CHRISTOPHE ENA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

French children go to school four days a week. They have about two hours each day for lunch. And they have more vacation than their counterparts almost anywhere in the West.

It may sound a bit like the famously leisurely work pace enjoyed by their parents, most of whom work 35 hours per week as dictated by law.

But the nation's new government says elementary school kids risk classroom burnout, and is moving to help them cope. The issue: French school days may be relatively few, but they are at least as long as a day of work for adults. Even 6-year-olds are in class until late into the afternoon, when skies are dark, attention flags and stomachs rumble.

As a candidate, President Francois Hollande promised to change things by adding a fifth day of classes on Wednesday while shortening the school day. For France, it's something of a revolutionary idea that would overturn more than a century of school tradition. The thinking is that the days are too full for young children under the current system and that Wednesday free time could be put to more productive use.

"France has the shortest school year and the longest day," Hollande said at the time, promising change.

His education minister, Vincent Peillon, will decide this month how to carry out the reform. He has said he may also compensate for a shorter school day by trimming France's sacred summer vacation. A panel of experts will present their conclusions on Friday, and the president is expected to address the issue on Tuesday.

No proposal affects tradition — and potentially family and municipal budgets - as much as what the French call changes to the "scholastic rhythms."

There's been a midweek break in French primary schools dating back to the 19th century, a government concession to the Roman Catholic Church, which wanted children to study the catechism on their weekday off. In today's secular France, Wednesdays currently are a blur of sports, music, tutoring for families of means, or a scramble for working parents struggling to get by — who must either find a sitter or send their kids to a full day at a state-run leisure centre.

Many parents are afraid that the changes will force them to figure out extra childcare five days a week, especially at schools where the afterschool program amounts to sitting silently at a desk for two hours or near-chaos in the play areas. Under the education proposal, school would end at lunchtime on Wednesday.

"It's completely unrealistic," Valerie Marty, president of the national parents' organization, said of the proposed timetable. "They have to figure out who will take care of the children after school, who will finance it."

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The long and short of it

France has the shortest school year and the longest day."

Ecoliterate co-author Lisa Bennett

C'est dommage!

Things aren't exactly easy for French kids.

- Despite long summer breaks and the four-day school week, French elementary school students actually spend more hours per year in school than average; 847, compared with 774 among countries in OECD, a club of wealthy nations. But the time is compressed into fewer days each year.
- The French school day begins around 8:30 and ends at 4:30 p.m., even for the youngest, despite studies showing the ability of young children to learn deteriorates as the day goes on.

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Trust Built over time, trust means being able to share sensitive information, including personal doubts, financials and mistakes. Trust is gained from a mentee by remaining neutral while offering actionable advice. A mentor grows to trust their mentee when they see their advice reflected upon and applied.

Mutual respect When choosing a mentor most individuals chose someone that they respect for some aspect of their personality or success. This has to be ongoing and work both ways. The mentor also needs to respect their mentee's ideas, experiences and concerns. Each side needs to respect the other's time and commitments.

Structure There should be clear boundaries in the relationship, such as defining appropriate areas for advice; making sure that communications from both parties are timely; and scheduling times to meet or talk.

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Umpire Jeff Nelson watches Detroit's Omar Infante dive back to second as Yankee Robinson Cano applies the tag on Sunday night at Yankee Stadium. Nelson called Infante safe on the game-changing play in the eighth inning. BRUCE BENNETT/GETTY IMAGES

Missed call propels Tigers to 2-0 lead

ALCS. Umpire's gaffe leads to pair of Detroit runs in tightly contested Game 2

Anibal Sanchez and the Detroit Tigers made the plays, got a favourable call from an umpire and took advantage of their few chances at the plate.

The reward: A commanding lead in the AL championship series, and a trip home with their ace ready to start.

Sanchez shut down a Yankees lineup minus injured shortstop Derek Jeter, and Detroit won without any drama, beating New York 3-0 Sunday for a 2-0 cushion.

Yankees starter Hiroki Kuroda pitched perfect ball into the sixth inning but the slumping New York hitters looked lost.

Making his second postseason start, Sanchez pitched three-hit ball deep into the game to make Tigers manager Jim Leyland's handling of a bullpen without struggling closer Jose Valverde a lot easier.

The Tigers scored twice in the eighth after second base umpire Jeff Nelson missed a call on a two-out tag at second base.

Game 3 in the best-of-seven series is Tuesday night in Detroit, with reigning AL MVP Justin Verlander starting for the Tigers against Phil Hughes. Verlander went 2-0 in the division series versus Oakland, including a four-hit shutout with 11 strikeouts in the decisive Game 5. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Game 2

Tigers	Yankees
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Jeter injured

Yankees shortstop Derek Jeter was absent for Game 2 on Sunday, off undergoing tests after his left ankle cracked in the 12th inning of Saturday night's 6-4 loss to the Tigers.

- Jeter had scans Sunday, which confirmed the fracture.

CFL

Als double up on Double Blue to tighten grip on East

Jamel Richardson and Shea Emry scored second-half touchdowns Sunday to give the Montreal Alouettes a 24-12 victory over the Toronto Argonauts — and a home playoff date.

Richardson scored on a 75-yard touchdown reception at 12:25 in the third quarter for the East Division leaders.

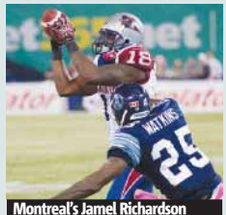
Richardson beat Toronto's Pat Watkins for the ball before sprinting down the sideline to give the Alouettes a 17-12 lead. The long-distance catch also gave Richardson his first 100-yard game this season after he collected a CFL-record 12 last season when he led the league in receiving.

"Better late than never," Richardson said, smiling. "At the right time, right place."

The game was a huge one with first place in the East on the line between two teams battling for postseason positioning. The victory put the Alouettes (9-6) in the driver's seat, leading Toronto (7-8) by four points with three games left and owning the tie-breaker.

Toronto dropped to 7-8 with their fourth loss in five games.

"Certainly was an opportunity lost, like last week (a loss to Saskatchewan)," said Argos coach Scott Milanovich. THE CANADIAN PRESS



Montreal's Jamel Richardson makes a catch under pressure from Pat Watkins on Sunday in Toronto. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Scary good: Monsters' goalie blanks Marlies

Cameron Gaunce of the Lake Erie Monsters, bottom, takes a tripping penalty when he brings down Will Acton of the Toronto Marlies on a near breakaway Sunday in Toronto. RICK MADONIK/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Calvin Pickard made sure the Toronto Marlies didn't have a winning weekend to open the American Hockey League season.

The Lake Erie goalie turned aside all 40 shots he faced Sunday as the Monsters shut out Toronto 4-0.

"There wasn't much execution and when that's not there you need some heart and soul and we didn't get that from some of our guys today," said Toronto coach Dallas Eakins.

Geoff Walker, Tyson Barrie, Thomas Pock and Luke Walker scored for the Monsters, while Paul Carey and Mike Sgarbossa had two assists apiece. Pock also chipped in with a pair of assists for a three-point game in front of an announced crowd of 4,472 at Ricoh Coliseum.

After the weekend

- Lake Erie improved to 2-1-0 on the season, while the Marlies fell to 1-1-0.
- Toronto opened the 2012-13 AHL campaign with a 3-1 victory over Rochester on Saturday.

"You get frustrated," said Eakins. "You've got to learn how to deal with frustration and stick with the game plan."

The Marlies outshot the Monsters 40-18, but couldn't solve the 20-year-old Pickard. After scoring three power play goals on Saturday against Rochester, the Marlies went 0-for-11 while up a man on Sunday.

Pickard was the main reason for Toronto's ineffectiveness. The Monsters goalie denied centre Joe Colbourne on a breakaway and foiled six Marlies power plays in the middle period alone.

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Buffalo Bills quarterback Ryan Fitzpatrick celebrates a touchdown against the Arizona Cardinals during the second half of their game on Sunday in Glendale, Ariz. PAUL CONNORS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Bills end Cardinals' home win streak

NFL. Buffalo's overtime win spoils 61-yard field goal by Arizona's Feely

Jairus Byrd was limited in practice last week with a chest injury. He was full speed Sunday, though, with an interception that made all the difference.

Byrd's second interception of the game set up Rian Lindell's 25-yard field goal 3:50 into overtime to give the Buffalo Bills a 19-16 victory over the Cardinals on Sunday.

The loss ended Arizona's eight-game home winning streak.

Byrd picked off a pass from John Skelton, who had replaced the injured Kevin Kolb, and returned it 29 yards to the Arizona 6 to set up the winning kick.

Streak ends in OT

The Cardinals went into overtime for the sixth time in their last nine home games and had won all of them until Sunday.

Arizona's Jay Feely made a franchise-record 61-yard field goal with 1:09 left in regulation to tie it 16-16. But his 38-yard attempt to win it in the fourth quarter was tipped by Buffalo's Alex Carrington and careened off the left upright.

The Cardinals (4-2) lost their second in a row after a 4-0 start. The Bills (3-3) won after allowing 1,201 yards and 97 points in their previous two games.

It looked like another stunning Arizona comeback when Feely, whose previous long was 55, nailed the 61-yarder, the third 60-yard plus kick in the league this season — an NFL record.

The big kick came moments after Kolb, whose scrambles had been the biggest plays for Arizona's as-usual sputtering offence, was hit for his fifth sack and left with a rib and chest injury.

Enter Skelton, active for the first time since he sprained his left ankle in the season opener, clearing the way for Kolb to reclaim the starting job.

Skelton's fourth-down pass to Larry Fitzgerald got Arizona close enough to try the record kick, which cleared the crossbar with room to spare.

Fitzgerald caught six passes for 93 yards, including a 9-yarder for a touchdown. Skelton, who beat out Kolb for the starting job in the preseason, was just 2 of 10 for 45 yards.

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Clippers earn exhibition split with champs in China

Los Angeles Clippers point guard Chris Paul reaches in for a steal on the Miami Heat's LeBron James during an NBA pre-season game in Shanghai. DeAndre Jordan had 18 points and nine rebounds to help the Los Angeles Clippers beat the NBA champion Heat 99-89 on Sunday. On Thursday night in Beijing, James scored 20 points in Miami's 94-80 victory over the Clippers. KIN CHEUNG/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Raptors bitten early by pre-season injury bug

NBA. First two weeks of training camp have taken toll on Toronto squad, particularly at point guard position

Quoted

"It's part of it getting us tougher and getting us ready for those (regular season) back-to-backs and the long road trips."

Head coach Dwane Casey on the Raptors' jam-packed pre-season schedule.

One guard is back, one guard is out and the Raptors — like almost every NBA team — are battling predictable pre-season fatigue, bumps and bruises as they wait patiently for real games to start.

Kyle Lowry practised at the Air Canada Centre on Sunday, while Jose Calderon sat it out as a precaution against his sore left hamstring.

It is simply a fact of life right now that the toll of daily practices and pre-season games will lead to some kind of minor discomfort for almost every player.

"It's that time of camp," coach Dwane Casey said after the team worked out. "The body's in shock more than anything else, but our guys have been pretty good and I credit that to guys coming into camp in good shape."

Lowry will be re-evaluated Monday and Tuesday before any possible decision is made about his availability for pre-season games Wednesday and Friday. Calderon got treatment during practice for pain Casey said he first experienced last Thursday, and no decision on him is close to being made.

The nicks and bruises are forcing Casey to strike a delicate balance between the need for on-court work and the need for rest and recuperation.

The Raptors had Saturday off, their first day off since training camp began Oct. 2 in Halifax, because there wasn't a logical break in about a two-week span.

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Soccer. Canada travels deep into enemy waters for World Cup qualifier

Canada's World Cup qualifying fate will be decided in a crumbling stadium surrounded by barbed wire.

Built in 1997 for the Central American Olympic Games, Estadio Olimpico Metropolitano in San Pedro Sula can accommodate some 40,000, with many of those standing or sitting on bench-like steps in the hot sun.

A win or tie will move Canada (3-1-1) into the final round of qualifying in the CONCACAF region, which covers North and Central America and the Caribbean. Honduras (2-1-2) needs to win to keep going.

Tuesday's venue is old-school, complete with what could serve as a moat around the fenced pitch, which is further distanced from fans by a running track.

Armed police were awaiting the Canadian men's arrival on Sunday. Police with machine guns have been stationed outside the team's hotel.

The security is no mere window dressing for a country whose name means "Deep Waters" — a label applied by Christopher Columbus after landing in a deep bay off the country's northern coast.

The Washington Post, quoting Mexico's non-profit Civic Council on Public Security and Criminal Justice, reported in January that San Pedro Sula was the world's most violent place in 2011, surpassing the Mexican border city of Ciudad Juarez.

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Rising tide of violence

A 2011 study by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime titled "Global Study on Homicide" reported that Honduras had the highest per capita murder rate in the world (82.1 per 100,000). In comparison, Canada's rate was 1.8.

- The Honduran homicide rate has more than doubled between 2005 and 2010.

Canadian players celebrate their 3-0 win over Cuba in a World Cup qualifying match at BMO Field on Friday. STEVE RUSSELL/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE FILE

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Aries
March 21 - April 20
Not even an Aries can be totally independent, not all the time, so accept that this is one of those occasions when others are calling the shots – and don't just assume that their decisions will be bad for you.

Taurus
April 21 - May 21
An offer of some kind may mean more work for you personally but you are big enough to handle it - and smart enough to realize that if you don't take it someone else will. Don't you dare say no!

Gemini
May 22 - June 21
Today's new moon is so well placed in your chart that even the smallest of efforts on your part will yield super-size dividends. Is there a limit to how high you can rise? No there is not, so go for it.

Cancer
June 22 - July 23
It's time to smooth out any problems you may be having at home. Don't wait for loved ones to make the first move – it is up to you to get bad feelings into the open where they can be dealt with.

Leo
July 24 - Aug. 23
You must make more of an effort to put your point of view across, especially in social situations where your way with words could open doors that have been closed to you in the past. Get your silver tongue working.

Virgo
Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
There is a very good chance that your income will increase over the next few days, maybe dramatically so. You will, of course, find more things to spend it on, so you may not be any better off.

Libra
Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
A new moon in your sign is a firm promise of better days ahead. The most important thing now is that you believe you are capable of anything, for the one thing that could hold you back is self-doubt.

Scorpio
Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
You will be thinking deeply today about your life and the direction it seems to be heading. Change is necessary. Change will bring success. But first you must get over your self-doubt – there is simply no need for it.

Sagittarius
Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
New friendships you make over the next two or three days will last a lifetime. Even a Sagittarius needs encouragement now and again and the people you meet will inspire you to aim higher than ever before.

Capricorn
Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
Today's new moon means you are destined for some kind of celebrity status – you will certainly get noticed by the powers that be. Remember though that the bigger your public face the less of a private life you may have.

Aquarius
Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
If you have been thinking about doing something different with your life today's new moon in your fellow Air sign of Libra will help you see that your dream is both possible and desirable.

Pisces
Feb. 20 - March 20
Today's new moon will help you focus on what is important and help you make whatever tough decisions may be necessary. What you achieve before the end of the year depends on what you do now.

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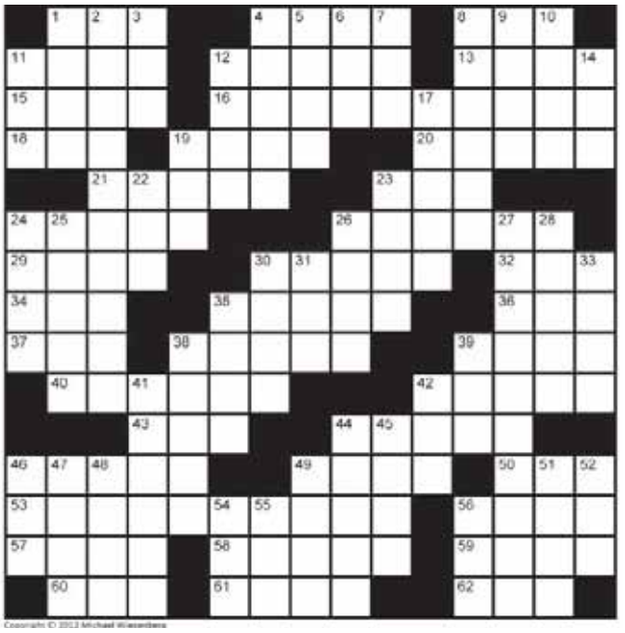

Across
1. Expire
4. Feeling achy
8. Ballplayer's hat
11. Pig sound
12. Chess and checkers
13. ___ the Red: 10th-century explorer who founded the first Norse settlement in Greenland
15. Stockings
16. Visiting faraway places
18. Québec neighbour: abbr.
19. Express pain vocally
20. Assistants
21. Covered with water
23. "Barbara ___": 1966 Beach Boys hit
24. Better suited
26. Slumbers
29. Box office disaster
30. Heads or ___: flip choice
32. Certain batteries
34. Female sheep
35. Cash drawers
36. Street: Fr.
37. ___ star: sheriff's badge
38. Appeal strongly to
39. Sask. neighbour
40. Engraves with acid, as glass
42. Foreign
43. Stop color
44. Christmas visitor
46. ___ as that goes: to that extent (2 wds.)
49. Troubadour
50. Wizard of Oz and 2001: A Space Odyssey studio
53. Capital of the Yukon
56. Protagonist
57. Sole
58. Military bigwigs
59. All over again
60. "Limit: one ___ customer"
61. Heed
62. Pig pen

Down
1. See 8-Down
2. Partial regular payment on a debt
3. ___ out a living: barely manage
4. NS-born singer McLachlan
5. Arabian Peninsula sultanate
6. Race, as an engine
7. 180° from WNW
8. With 1-Down, Charlemagne, Québec-born pop singer who has a spectacular show at Caesars Palace in Las Vegas
9. Dry
10. Scent for a car freshener
11. "So that's it!"
12. Bygone Pontiac muscle cars
14. Metric wts.
17. Country roads
19. Cause surface damage to
22. Spider's lair
23. "___ fair in love and war"
24. Aid, particularly someone in the commission of a crime
25. "Changes," "Fame," and "Let's Dance" rocker David
26. Buildup at a river's mouth
27. Canada's government
28. Fry in butter
30. Canada's quintessential coffee and donut place, familiarly
31. Mont Blanc or Matterhorn, e.g.
33. Actor Young or Penn
35. Started a golf hole, with "off"
38. "Been ___, done that"
39. PC key usually next to the spacebar
41. Lunar landscape feature
42. In addition
44. Fresh-mouthed
45. Greek counterpart of Mars (god of war)
46. Hole-punching tool
47. Browse at the mall
48. Judge's decision
49. Scottish hillside
51. Between black and white
52. Cut grass
54. The Sopranos home
55. The sun, for one
56. Possesses

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Friday's Sudoku

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			1		4			
6		4				8		2
		6	5		9	2		
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		5	4		1	6		
1		3				4		7
			8		7			
	7		3		6		2	

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